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Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report has been prepared in accordance with paragraph 5 (d) of the annex to General Assembly resolution 58/316. It contains the draft programme of work of the plenary for the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly. The draft programmes of work of five of the six Main Committees of the Assembly, which were adopted by the Assembly during the main part of its sixty-third session, can be found in the respective decisions of the Assembly. The status of documentation will be issued as an addendum to the present report.

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I. Introduction

1. The General Assembly, in paragraph 5 (d) of the annex to its resolution 58/316, entitled "Further measures for the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", decided that in July of each year the General Committee should conduct a review of the proposed programme of work for the forthcoming session of the Assembly, on the basis of a report submitted by the Secretary-General, and should also submit recommendations on the matter to the Assembly at its forthcoming session. The report should include information on the status of documentation to be issued during the forthcoming session.

2. The present report has been prepared in response to that request.

3. The draft programmes of work of the Main Committees, with the exception of the Fifth Committee,[1] have been approved by the respective Committees and were adopted by the General Assembly in the following decisions: First Committee (decision 63/521 of 2 December 2008); Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (decision 63/527 of 5 December 2008); Second Committee (decision 63/545 of 19 December 2008); Third Committee (decision 63/537 of 18 December 2008); and Sixth Committee (decision 63/529 of 11 December 2008).

4. To assist the General Committee and the General Assembly in their efforts to maximize both effectiveness and efficiency, this report contains only the draft programme of work of the plenary for the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly. The details of the draft programmes of the Main Committees are available in the respective decisions.

5. The status of documentation will be issued as an addendum to the present report.

[1] The Fifth Committee has not taken a decision on this matter.

II. Draft programme of work of the plenary for the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly

First week (15-18 September)	
Tuesday, afternoon	Opening of the session by the President of the General Assembly [1][2]
	Minute of silent prayer or meditation [2]
	Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee [3 (a)]
Wednesday	Meeting of the General Committee
Friday	Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: first report of the General Committee [7]
Second week (21-25 September)	
Monday	*Official United Nations holiday (Eid al-Fitr)*
Wednesday to Saturday	General debate [8][3] (decision 63/553)
Third week (28 September-2 October)	
Monday to Wednesday	General debate [8]
	[Maintenance of international peace and security]
Thursday	United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [31]: High-level meeting to commemorate the work of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East on the occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of its establishment (resolution 63/91)
Fourth week (5-9 October)	
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Monday	Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization [106]
	[Promotion of justice and international law]

[2] The items and their numbers cited herein correspond to those of the provisional agenda of the sixty-fourth session (A/64/150). All items on the provisional agenda are pending approval by the General Assembly at its sixty-fourth session for inclusion in the agenda and allocation for consideration. Some items that are on the provisional agenda but not reflected in this draft programme are omitted either in accordance with relevant resolutions and decisions of the Assembly or for scheduling at a later date.

[3] The Secretary-General will present his report on the work of the Organization as the first item before the opening of the general debate.

Thursday	Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [74]; report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [75]: joint debate
Fifth week (12-16 October)	
	[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences]
Monday	Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [49]: Commemoration of the fifteenth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development (resolution 63/9)
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Thursday	Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council [109 (a)]
Sixth week (19-23 October)	
	[Development of Africa; Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences]
Monday	New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support [64 (a) and (b)]; 2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa [48]: joint debate
Friday	*United Nations Day Concert*

Seventh week (26-30 October)

[Organizational, administrative and other matters]

Monday

Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [109 (b)]

[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences]

Tuesday

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [43]; Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [49]: joint debate
2. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin [44]
3. Global road safety crisis [47]

[Organizational, administrative and other matters]

Wednesday

The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy [114]

[Promotion of justice and international law]

Thursday

1. Report of the International Court of Justice [73]
2. Report of the International Criminal Court [76]

Eighth week (2-6 November)

[Disarmament; Organizational, administrative and other matters]

Monday

1. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency [84]
2. Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination [110 (a)]
3. Election of thirty members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law [110 (c)]
4. Election of twenty-nine members of the governing council of the United Nations Environment Programme [110 (e)]
5. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences [111 (f)]
6. Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit [111 (g)]

	7. Appointment of members of the Consultative Committee of the United Nations Development Fund for Women [111 (h)]
	8. Follow-up to the commemoration of the two-hundredth anniversary of the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade [115]
Tuesday	[Maintenance of international peace and security]
	Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba [19]
	[Effective coordination of humanitarian assistance efforts]
Thursday	Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [71 and 71 (a) and (b)]; Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence [72]: joint debate
Ninth week (9-13 November)	
	[Maintenance of international peace and security]
Monday	1. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [11]
	2. The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict [12]
	3. Prevention of armed conflict [13]
	4. The situation in Afghanistan [17]
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters; Maintenance of international peace and security]
Thursday	1. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations [108]
	2. Report of the Security Council [9]; Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [118]: joint debate
Tenth week (16-20 November)	
	[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences; Organizational, administrative and other matters]

Monday	1. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [49]; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]; Strengthening of the United Nations system [119]; United Nations reform: measures and proposals [120]: joint debate
	2. Culture of peace [50]
	[Maintenance of international peace and security; Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Wednesday	Report of the Peacebuilding Commission [10]; Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund [107]: joint debate
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Thursday	Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [117]
Eleventh week (23-27 November)	
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Monday	Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]: specific meeting focused on development
Thursday	*Official United Nations holiday (Thanksgiving Day)*
Friday	*Official United Nations holiday (Eid al-Adha)*
Twelfth week (30 November-4 December)	
	[Maintenance of international peace and security]
Tuesday and Wednesday, morning	1. Question of Palestine [16]
	2. The situation in the Middle East [15]
	[Promotion of justice and international law]
Thursday	Oceans and the law of the sea [77 (a) and (b)]: joint debate
Thirteenth week (7-15 December)	
	[Maintenance of international peace and security]
Monday	1. Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development [14]

	2. The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan [18]
	3. The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [20]
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Thursday	1. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations [116]
	2. Multilingualism [121]
	3. Follow-up to the recommendations on administrative management and internal oversight of the Independent Inquiry Committee into the United Nations Oil-for-Food Programme [122]
	4. Global health and foreign policy [123]
Monday	1. Election of two members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission [110 (g)]
	2. Report of the Credentials Committee [3 (b)]
Tuesday	(15 December — end of 13 weeks)